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A First-Class Hotel in all its appointments. The Addition of
Big Stone Gap and vicinity will receive special attention.

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THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

Action Taken in regard to Several Important Matters.

The regular monthly meeting of the town council was held at the Mayor's office on Monday night. Present at call W. T. Goodloe, Col. Adams, H. A. W. Sken, and Dr. Kunkel, but before adjournment the entire council was present. The minutes of the meetings since Sept. 1st were first read by the recorder, this work having been omitted at the last few meetings, and they were then adopted.

Mayor Sken reported the number of cases tried since the last meeting, and the amount of fines collected; also W. T. Goodloe reported number of cases tried, while acting as mayor, and the amount collected for fines. The report of the treasurer was read, showing a balance of \$1,128.38 to the credit of the city treasury. On motion, duly seconded, the report was accepted.

Col. Adams offered a resolution accepting the bids of Mr. McNulty for grading the streets and sidewalks, and also the bid of B. L. Johnson for laying the sidewalks at 9 cents per running foot for sidewalks six feet wide, and 11 cents per foot for eight-foot sidewalks. The resolution was adopted, ayes three, nays one.

Mr. Bullitt called the attention of the council to the fact that the jail was not comfortably fixed for the protection of the prisoners against the cold weather, and suggested that a stove and some bunks be placed in the same. A resolution was passed authorizing the jail committee to furnish the jail with the necessary equipment to make it comfortable, such as stoves, bunks, etc.

Mayor Sken made complaint to the council of using his office as a court-room for all these petty trials, and suggested that new quarters be selected for that purpose. A resolution was passed authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract with the owners of the house lately occupied by Mr. Robinson to rent it for use as a court-room.

The attention of the council was called to the fact that the Boulevard was being used to erect pig-pens, cow-pens and all nuisances imaginable, and that something ought to be done to suppress them. A resolution was passed authorizing the town sergeant to give the parties notice that were causing these nuisances, and after twenty days' notice, if they still continued he is to have warrants sworn out against them for violating the nuisance ordinance.

Mr. McDowell offered the following ordinance:

"Be it ordained that any owner, lessee or licensee of a lot, or contractor, builder, or any other person, who shall build, or attempt to build on any part of a block, hereafter, or which may hereafter be declared a fire limit, any house or other structure contrary to the provisions of any ordinance specifying what kind of building may be erected within such fire limits, shall be fined not less than one dollar (1) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50)."

"And further, be it ordained, that if any person, wholly or partly erects any building contrary to above ordinance, he shall not only be fined as above provided, but if within ten days after any trial for such offense of such person, he shall not tear down such structure, it shall be torn down by the sergeant, or by persons under his directions, the expense thereof, and ten per cent thereof additional, shall be collected from such person on motion before the mayor, and such sum shall be collectable as other fines and penalties imposed by mayor are collectable. This ordinance shall be in force from its passage."

On motion, the above ordinance was adopted. A number of bills were presented and allowed, and some referred to the finance committee.

Commercial Club Meeting.
The regular meeting of the Commercial Club will be held to-night in Senator Mills' office, at 8 o'clock, sharp. Important business will come up before the meeting requiring definite action, and it is hoped that every member will attend, as well as every citizen who desires to promote the interests of Big Stone Gap.

The Building Association.
The Building & Investment Company has secured the minimum amount of capital necessary for business under its charter, \$50,000, and has made the first call on the stockholders. The call is being met by subscribers promptly, and the officers of the company will soon be in a condition to begin the erection of cottages.

They propose to build about twenty-five at once, and a great many more in the spring.

This is a grand move in the right direction and the good that will result can scarcely be realized.

The officers of the company are R. T. Irvine, president; C. H. Berryman, secretary and treasurer, and R. A. Ayers, E. P. Bryan, J. M. Goodloe, W. E. Addison, E. M. Hardin and H. E. Fox, directors.

Democratic Rally.
The democratic boys who so gallantly overcame the republican majority at Big Stone Gap and carried the city for Buchanan by a majority of one, had a grand rally Wednesday night. Fire-works illuminated the darkness of the heavens and there were the burning of tar barrels and the explosion of bombs to increase the enthusiasm.

Brief speeches were made by Messrs. Bullitt, Irvine, Sken, Maynard and Harris, and each was received with cheers and clamors of applause. Senator Mills was called on, but replied that it was not his time to talk.

The crowd was good humored and continued celebrating until late at night.

Our Timber Interest.

(To the Editor of the Big Stone Post.)

Big Stone Gap, Nov. 3, 1890.
An article in your last issue entitled "Timber Lands—What Eight Men Found on the Mountains Adjacent to Big Stone Gap in Ten Days," is apt to create a wrong impression regarding the timber resources of this country. Your informant states that eight men counted 768 walnut trees sixteen inches in diameter and the same number of poplar eighteen inches in diameter, and other timber of the same proportionate and ridiculously small diameter. Now, every timberman knows that such timber has but little commercial value, and your authority must have been either a theorist or sent the men out with tape lines only twenty-four inches long, thus compelling them to overlook large timber.

As for ourselves we can state that our walnut timber in this country runs from twenty-four to sixty inches in diameter (the Hoffman Lumber Company having no walnut under thirty inches), our poplar from thirty to seventy inches; and we would feel obliged to have you insert this letter in your next publication and thus help to undo a harmful and erroneous statement. Very respectfully,

W. H. STUBBS,
Agent for Hoffman Lumber Co.,
JOHN DELINGER & Co.,
Agents New York & Southern Lumber Co.,
D. S. PLEASANTS.

Presbyterian Service.
Rev. J. E. Wool will conduct the Presbyterian service and preach at Mr. Beckford's school-house, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Sunday, November 9th.

Miss Louise Morrill will meet her shorthand class to-night in the Central Hotel parlor. Any others desiring to study shorthand are requested to be present.

Contract for a Store-house.
Mr. S. H. Williams, of Lynchburg, yesterday let a contract for the construction of a store-house on East 3d street, to contain one large store-room below and six offices above.

The same gentleman and Mr. A. Kinkaid will also erect several other large stores. They believe that such investments at Big Stone Gap will pay large and permanent profits.

Railroad Tickets at the Intermont.
Mr. Beverly, the very obliging telegraph operator at the Intermont, will hereafter have tickets of the S. A. & O. R. R. for sale, which will be a great accommodation to the public. He is very attentive to his duties and will be on hand at the proper hours to accommodate the passengers on that road.

The Brick Plant.
Mr. S. A. Parsons returned from Louisville a few days ago. He had previously sent Mr. J. McGoff, an experienced brick maker, to burn the kilns. Mr. Parsons thinks the brick will be the best ever seen at Big Stone Gap. The clay is superior in quality, and the work has been well done.

Personal.
Mr. W. S. Palmer returned from his trip East last Wednesday.

J. P. and G. W. Adams, brothers of Col. Adams, left for their homes last week. They dropped some money in lots, and both think of making Big Stone Gap their future home.

The mother of Mrs. J. M. Goodloe was stricken with paralysis about ten days ago, and the family were summoned to her bedside. Mr. and Mrs. Goodloe started at once but the sufferer was dead before they reached their destination.

THE KENTUCKY UNION.

Progress of That Important Railroad Line, and When It Will Reach Big Stone Gap.

Mr. R. C. Ballard Thurston has been in the city several days. He came across from the present terminus of the Kentucky Union railroad. In an interview with a representative of the Post he said that two years would be required for the consummation of the transfer of lands belonging to the road to an English syndicate.

"About one year after that time," he added, "will be required for making the proper surveys, and the construction of the road from Jackson to Big Stone Gap will be pushed forward rapidly. About two years will be necessary for its completion. A branch from Fork City to Pineville will also be constructed."

Mr. Thurston was positive that we would have the road here within four years. A glance at the map will show what an important connection this road will give us north and westward; and it seems almost certain that it will be completed within the time mentioned by Mr. Thurston.

In this connection the last issue of the Jackson Democrat says:

The Mud Tunnel, is opened at last and by the 20th of December trains will be in Jackson. There are a large number of persons who have been awaiting this event, not only for months, but for years. There are those who wish to invest capital here. The time is almost at hand. The inducements are great. A vast territory of inexhaustible wealth is tributary to this point. Thousands of square miles of virgin forest and undisturbed coal mines are ready to pour their wealth into the coffers of those who invest. Jackson is an unsurpassed site for all kinds of wood manufactures. No better place can be found for a furniture factory, a hub and spoke factory, a wagon factory, a large factory, a wooden ware factory, and almost anything made of wood. Get ready and come on, there is nothing to lose.

Profits to House Owners.

The following statement of the profits of house owners at Big Stone Gap shows what returns come from such investments:

Intermont Hotel, 42,500 feet; frame annex, 20,500 feet.	Cost, \$12,500.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Hotel, 14 1/2 per cent.		
Robinson's Store, 20,335.	Cost, 400.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Hotel, 14 1/2 per cent.		
A cottage—four rooms, 15,331 feet.	Cost, 150.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Cottage, 50 per cent.		
A cottage—four rooms.	Cost, 250.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Hotel, 14 1/2 per cent.		
A residence—eight rooms, 20,419 feet.	Cost, 400.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Hotel, 14 1/2 per cent.		
A tenement—five rooms, 20,412 feet.	Cost, 1,000.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Cottage, 50 per cent.		
A tenement, 30,520 feet.	Cost, 1,000.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Hotel, 14 1/2 per cent.		
Ayer's Block—seven rooms, 75,400 feet.	Cost, 210,000.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Hotel, 14 1/2 per cent.		
Short's Building, 24,880 feet.	Cost, 5,000.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Hotel, 14 1/2 per cent.		
Spalding's Building, 18,880 feet.	Cost, 1,200.	Profit, 75 per cent.
Hotel, 14 1/2 per cent.		

A Literary Dining.

Bombay, N. S. News, at the corner of Lexington, were given a literary dining Wednesday, by Miss Nellie Talbot and Elizabeth Kinkaid, at Lexington, in honor of their guest, Miss Nisha Beckwith.

The Happy Porter's Quarter.

(From the Washington Star.)
The Pullman cars carried over 5,000,000 passengers for the past year, which means over \$12,000,000 to Pullman porters.

Carr's Bristol, Tenn.

For carpets, rugs and door mats, see A. B. Carr.

NOTICE.—There is no one authorized to make payments or contracts on account of the estate of J. M. Goodloe, deceased.

W. E. Addison.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—By mutual agreement the undersigned have dissolved their partnership, and their accounts have been placed in the hands of S. C. Berryman for settlement.

W. E. Addison.

NOTICE.—All persons indebted to the estate of J. M. Goodloe, deceased, are requested to present their accounts, limited and properly verified, to the undersigned, at the residence of J. M. Goodloe, deceased, at Lexington, Va., on or before the 10th day of November, 1890, at which time the estate of J. M. Goodloe, deceased, will be settled.

J. M. Goodloe, deceased.

NOTICE.—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Wise on the 23d day of October, 1890, at 12 o'clock, noon, the following case was called for trial:

John M. Hoot, Administrator, vs. J. M. Goodloe, deceased.

The object of this suit is to compel the defendants to pay to the plaintiff the sum of \$1,000, and to pay the costs of this suit. And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, James Goodloe, is not a resident of the State of Virginia, the court ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four weeks in some newspaper, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this county, as required by law. A copy of this order is hereby published.

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REAL ESTATE, GOODLOE & CLAY.

City Property Bought and Sold On Commission.

TRACTS of Coal, Iron and Timber Land, for sale by the acre or tract. Being well acquainted with all the Black and White lands in the city and county, and having a large amount of business to transact, we are prepared to make investments and to make improvements on the same. Office: Opposite Post-office. BIG STONE GAP, VA.

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This property carries a ten-foot vein of superior coking coal.

The first lots were sold the 10th of June 1890, and have since been sold as fast as they could be had. Over 500 lots have been sold by the Tacoma Mining and Transportation Co. for the purpose of building a city.

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A Solid and Substantial Town, backed up by Energetic Investors and a Progressive Company, composed of well known Business Men.

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POST PUBLISHING COMPANY.

Society in Baltimore and Louisville. Addressed by a Divorcee in which she was charged with adultery.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 5.—Last month Mrs. Annie Thomas Wheat, at one time one of the best known society ladies in this city, who until three years ago lived with her husband, Milton M. Wheat, in a handsome marble-front residence on St. Paul street, filed a bill for absolute divorce from her husband, alleging among other things that he was guilty of cruel treatment, unkindness and drunkenness.

Mrs. Wheat's maiden name was Thomas and she married her husband from her father's house in Louisville, Ky., in 1877.

In 1888, she alleges, she was compelled to leave her husband's house and return to her father. The suit at the time created some talk, but it reached a sensational climax today, when society learned of the answer filed by Mrs. Wheat, through Colonel Marshall's lawyer, J. P. Wheat, begins by entering a general denial of the charges made, and declares that his wife left him without cause, the abandonment being in a measure due to social friends, from whom he says his house had been open for his wife's return thirty-four months.

Mrs. Wheat also files a cross bill, in which she makes some very serious charges against Mr. Benjamin F. Horwitz, prominent lawyer, whose wife is a leader in the most exclusive society. He says that he knew of improper relations between his wife and Mr. Horwitz before her abandonment, but not until last month did he learn of the most serious charges. He then relates that for some years Mr. Horwitz, who, it is alleged, encouraged her to deride and disobey her husband's wishes, and succeeded in alienating his wife's affections. In conclusion he states that his wife is not the proper mother of their children, and asks that they be given to him. Mr. Horwitz is counsel for Mrs. Wheat.

BIG STONE GAP.

COAL.

Two beds of Coking Coal, each one over six feet thick, making as good Coke as is produced in the United States, will be mined and coked within three miles of the town. Two beds of Gas and Steam Coal, each over four feet thick, and a bed of Cannel Coal underlies the same territory.

IRON.

Two reliable beds of Red Fossil Iron, one carrying 48 per cent Iron, and a large deposit of Oriskany ore, carrying 52 per cent Iron, underlie in part the town site, and thousands of acres on lines of S. A. & O. R. R. and L. & N. R. R.

TIMBER.

The most valuable area of virgin forests, of Walnut, Hickory, Oak, Ash, Yellow Poplar (white wood), Birch, Hemlock and Chestnut Oak, in the United States, immediately tributary to the town.

WATER.

Supplied by two rapid rivers flowing under the town. Water works, piping from an elevation 350 feet above the town site, now under construction.